

## **Chapter 2.33**

### **DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND BUILDING**

(3550-5/02, 3855-2/10)

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**2.33.010 Department established.** There is hereby created the Department of Planning and Building of the City of Huntington Beach. (3550-5/02, 3855-2/10)

**2.33.020 Director--Appointment.** The Director of Planning and Building shall be the head of the department and such Director shall be appointed by the City Administrator, subject to approval by a majority vote of the full City Council. (3550-5/02, 3855-2/10)

**2.33.030 Department Objectives.** The objectives of the Department shall be as follows: (3550-5/02)

- (a) Provide long-range data analysis and comprehensive planning, including statistical research, neighborhood planning and analysis, special projects, and methods of implementing plans and programs; (3550-5/02)
- (b) Administer ongoing and continuing planning and zoning functions, including administration of zoning and subdivision ordinances; (3550-5/02)
- (c) Provide services to developers and investors to assist in facilitating development or to encourage new development in accordance with policies of the City Council; (3550-5/02)
- (d) Administer and enforce laws, ordinances, regulations and programs related to housing, zoning and property maintenance; (3550-5/02)
- (e) Provide staff services and support to the Planning Commission, Zoning Administrator, Design Review Board, Environmental Board, Subdivision Committee, Environmental Assessment Committee, and other committees, subcommittees, boards and commissions pertaining to planning; and (3550-5/02)
- (f) Administer and enforce state and local construction regulations to protect the health and safety of the community. (3550-5/02, 3855-02/10)
- (g) Utilize automation to improve the access to information and services. (3548-05/02, 3855-2/10)
- (h) Provide plan review and inspection services in a professional, flexible and equitable manner. (3548-05/02, 3855-2/10)
- (i) Perform such other related duties as shall be required by law, ordinance or the City Administrator. (3550-5/02, 3855-2/10)

**2.33.040 Director--Powers and duties.**

- (a) The Director of Planning and Building shall be responsible for the administration and enforcement of appropriate sections of Titles 8, 15 and 17 of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code, the City of Huntington Beach Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance, and California Labor Code Section 6404.5 (smoking in closed places of employment). (3550-5/02, 3855-2/10)
- (b) In addition to the foregoing, the Director of Planning and Building shall perform other acts or duties, not inconsistent with the City Charter, as may be required by the City Council or the laws of the state of California. (3550-5/02, 3855-2/10)
- (c) Whenever in this code, the Huntington Beach Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance or any resolution, adopted by the City Council, reference is made to the Department of Planning or the Director of such department, such references shall mean the Department of Planning and Building and the Director of Planning and Building. (3550-5/02, 3855-2/10)
- (d) Whenever in this code, Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance of the City of Huntington Beach, or any resolution, adopted by the City Council, reference is made to the Department of Building & Safety and/or the Director of such department, such references shall mean the Department of Planning and Building and the Director of Planning and Building. (3548-05/02, 3855-2/10)

**2.33.050 Appointment of Subordinates.** The Director, with the approval of the City Administrator, shall appoint all other officers, assistants, deputies and employees of the Department of Planning and Building. (3550-5/02, 3855-2/10)